

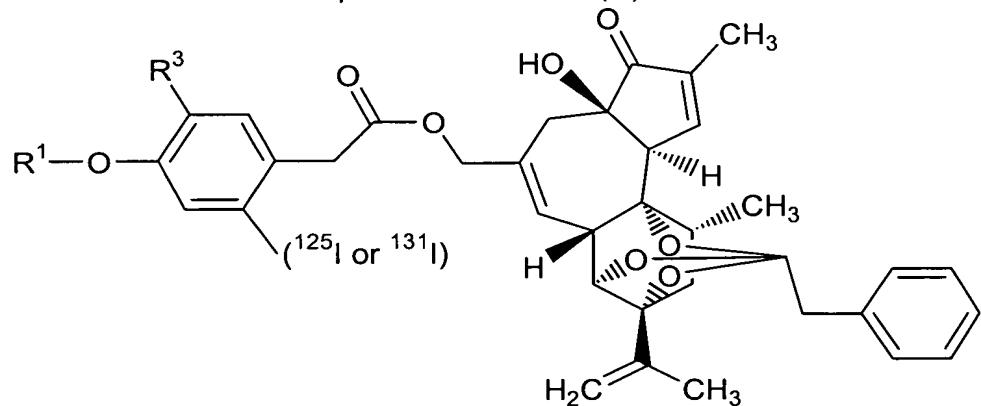
**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-4 (canceled)

Claim 5 (previously presented) A method for preparing a labeled resiniferatoxin derivative compound of Formula (V):



Formula (V)

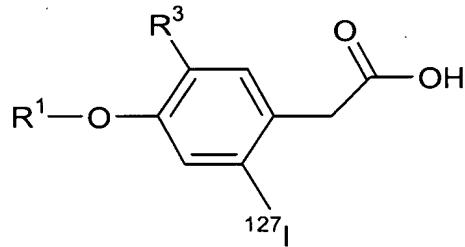
wherein

R<sup>1</sup> is a substituent selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkylcarbonyl and formyl; and,

R<sup>3</sup> is C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy;

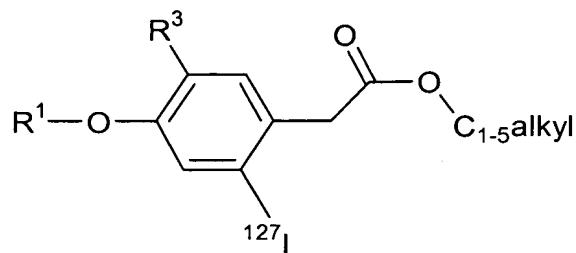
comprising,

protecting the carboxylic acid of an intermediate compound of Formula (VI);



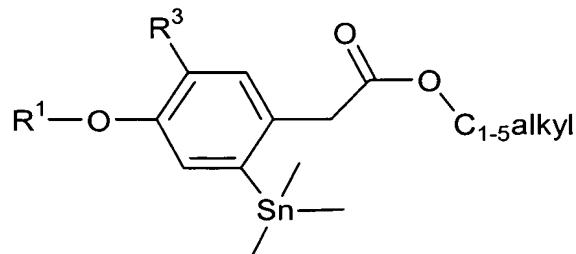
Formula (VI)

wherein the hydroxyl group of the compound of Formula (VI) is esterified with C<sub>1-5</sub> alkyl to form an esterified intermediate compound of Formula (VII);



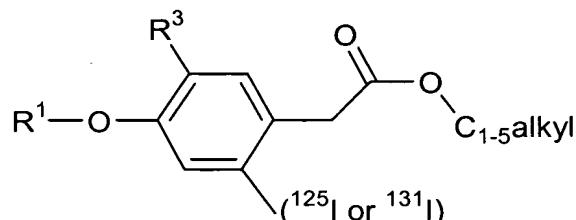
Formula (VII)

stannylating the compound of Formula (VII) to form a stannylated intermediate compound of Formula (VIII);



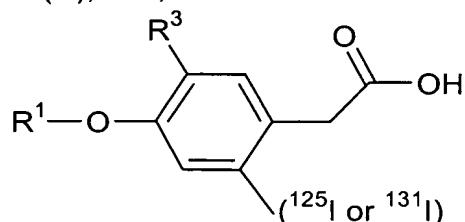
Formula (VIII)

iodinating the compound of Formula (VIII) to form a labeled intermediate compound of Formula (IX);



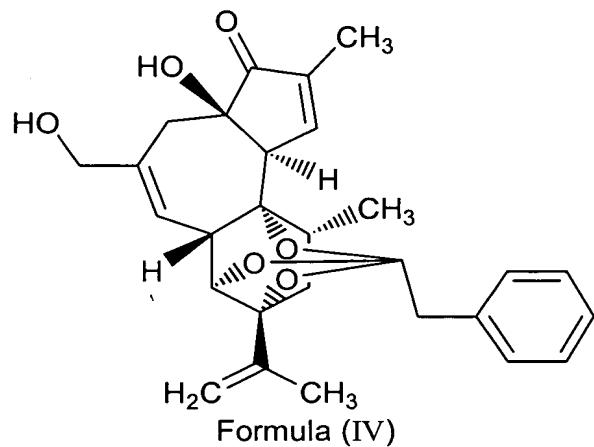
Formula (IX)

deprotecting the compound of Formula (IX) to form a labeled intermediate compound of Formula (X); and,



Formula (X)

coupling the labeled intermediate compound of Formula (X) with a resiniferonal orthophenylacetate alcohol compound of Formula (IV);



to form the compound of Formula (V).

Claim 6 (previously presented) The method of claim 5 wherein C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl is selected from the group consisting of *i*-propyl, *i*-butyl and *t*-butyl.

Claim 7 (previously presented) The method of claim 6 wherein C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl is *t*-butyl, R<sup>1</sup> is acetyl and R<sup>3</sup> is methoxy.

Claims 8-19 (canceled)